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Proposed amendments to SLS.14/Circ.115 - Issue of Exemption Certificates under the 1974 SOLAS Convention and amendments thereto

Note by the Secretariat

SUMMARY

Executive summary: The document contains proposed amendments to SLS.14/Circ.115
Action to be taken: Paragraph 2
Related documents: COMSAR 4/14, paragraph 3.40; SLS.14/Circ.115

1 As instructed by COMSAR 4, the Secretariat has prepared draft amendments to SLS.14/Circ.115 to be issued as Addendum 2 to the Circular.

Action requested of the Committee

2 The Committee is invited to consider and approve the annexed SLS.14/Circ.115/Add.2.

ANNEX

DRAFT ADDENDUM 2 TO SLS.14/CIRC.115

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE SAFETY OF LIFE AT SEA, 1974

**Issue of Exemption Certificates under the 1974 SOLAS Convention
and amendments thereto**

1 The Maritime Safety Committee, at its seventy-second session (17 to 26 May 2000), considered the issue of Exemption Certificates to individual ships with respect to the radio requirements of the 1974 SOLAS Convention, as amended, and agreed that certain regulations thereof ceased to be applicable after 1 February 1999, when the GMDSS reached its final implementation stage by means of the relevant SOLAS amendments.

2 The Committee subsequently decided to amend SLS.14/Circ.115 as follows:

- .1 paragraph 6, third line: delete the words "regulation IV/5 (1974 SOLAS) or";
- .2 in the annex, under the subheading "Chapter III (1974 SOLAS Convention/Amendments)", delete the reference to regulation "13(b)/6.2.1.3(83)" and the text referred to it including a footnote(*); and
- .3 in the annex, under the subheading "Chapter IV (1974 SOLAS Convention/Amendments)":
 - instead of the reference to regulation "5/3.2 (88 GMDSS)" and the text referred to it insert:

"-/3.2.1 and 3.2.2 Partial or conditional exemption from the requirements for radio equipment (regulations 7 to 11) and, in exceptional circumstances, an exemption for a single voyage outside the sea area or sea areas for which the ship is equipped";
 - delete the reference to regulation "-/7.4 (88 GMDSS)" and the text referred to it including a footnote (**); and
 - delete the reference to regulation "12(b)(iii)/-" and the referenced text.